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Group Art Unit	1653
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Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the last decisi	on of the
examiner dated, August 22, 2003 finally rejecting claims 1-5,7-9 and 12-16.	

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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.

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